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Honorable Walter D. Huddleston, Chairman  
Subcommittee on Charters and Guidelines  
Select Committee on Intelligence  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am enclosing a paper containing definitions for the 26 intelligence-related terms referenced in your letter of 19 September 1977 (R# 9845). As I noted in my interim reply of 17 October 1977, I wanted to have the inter-agency working group on definitions review these terms and include input from appropriate offices in the Intelligence Community. The working group has done this, but I would like to note that these definitions do not conform in all instances with those currently being used in Intelligence Community materials or activities, including the draft Executive Order. Also, of course, we will be considering definitions for intelligence terms in the course of the charter legislation process; a process, which, as you know, involves unique definitional drafting requirements. In this sense, therefore, the definitions provided here should be considered tentative.

I understand that our respective staffs have been in close contact in this exercise. I am very glad to see this cooperation and look forward to working with you as the charter legislation process proceeds.

Yours sincerely,

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